WEST BRIDGFORD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the Year 1970

together with the

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of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

Health Department,
70, Bridgford Road,
WEST BRIDGFORD,
Nottingham.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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Nottingham.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my privilege to present the Annual Report for 1970 which has been compiled in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Health and Social Security.

A notable feature of the statistics is that the estimated population is lower than the previous year by 100, and that there was no excess of Births over Deaths. A review of the Birth Rate shows that it has been falling steadily during the past 10 years and that since 1966 the fall has been more pronounced.

Comparing the West Bridgford Birth Rate with that for England and Wales between 1960 and 1970 indicates that it has been falling faster than the National average, particularly during the last five years.

The Death Rate, by contrast, has remained fairly steady and comparable with the National average during the past decade.

The Infant Mortality Rate progressively shows improvement and is significantly better than the National average.

Of the total Births attributable to West Bridgford, 11% were illegitimate compared with 13% in the previous year.

256 notifications of Infectious Diseases were received, of which 235 were due to Measles. This indicates the real need to continue with the scheme of Measles vaccination which was available during the year. It is recommended that all infants over 1 year of age should be vaccinated against Measles in order to protect them against the disease and the risk of developing serious complications.

Vaccination against German Measles was offered for the first time to girls in the 11-13 years age group. Expectant mothers suffering from German Measles in the early part of their pregnancy run the risk of producing a child with congenital deformities of varying degrees of severity. The object of this scheme is to protect by vaccination the female population before they reach child-bearing age.

The work of the Senior Public Health Inspector, Mr. F. J. Shaw, is summarised in the Report and is commended for your perusal.

May I thank you, Mr. Chairman, for your encouragement and support, and record my appreciation to the Clerk and other Officers for their valued co-operation.

I am,

Yours respectfully,

W. R. PERRY.

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS

Area of District	3,045 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population	28,480
1961 Census	26,957
Number of inhabited houses	10,468
Rateable Value	£1,347,294
Product of Penny Rate per annum (1970-71)	£5,440

	Total	Male	Female
Live Births	380 (404)	195 (205)	185 (199)
Crude Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	13.3 (14.1)		
Adjusted Birth Rate	12.9 (13.7)		

	Total	Male	Female
Deaths	387 (345)	176 (145)	211 (200)
Crude Death Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	13.6 (12.1)		
Adjusted Death Rate	11.3 (10.3)		

	Total	Male	Female
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age	7 (4)	5 (2)	2 (2)
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age (per 1,000 live births)	18.0 (10.0)		

There were no Maternal deaths during the year.

The figures in brackets refer to 1969.

VITAL STATISTICS

Population: Registrar General's estimate for mid-year	28,480
Census 1961	26,957

Births

Live	380	(Male 195,	Female 185)	
Still	2	(" 2	" 0)	
Total	382	(" 197	" 185)	

Illegitimate Births

Live	41	(Male 18,	Female 23)	
Still	0	(" 0	" 0)	
Percentage of total live births	11.0			

Deaths	387	(Male 176,	Female 211)	
Total deaths under 1 year	7	(Male 5,	Female 2)	
Illegitimate deaths under 1 year	2	(" 1	" 1)	
Total deaths under 4 weeks	4	(" 3	" 1)	
Illegitimate deaths under 4 weeks	0	(" 0	" 0)	
Total deaths under 1 week	3	(" 2	" 1)	
Maternal deaths	0	(" 0	" 0)	

Still Birth Rate	5.0 per 1,000 live and still births

Death Rate

Crude Death Rate	13.6 per 1,000 population.
Corrected Death Rate	11.3 per 1,000 population.
Maternal Death Rate	0.00 per 1,000 live and still births.

Infant Mortality Rate

Total Infant Mortality Rate	18.0 per 1,000 live births
Legitimate Infant Mortality Rate	15.0 per 1,000 legitimate live births.
Illegit. Infant Mortality Rate	49.0 per 1,000 illeg.live births.
Neo-natal Death Rate(under 4 wks).	11.0 per 1,000 live births.
Early Neo-natal Death Rate (under 1 week)	8.0 per 1,000 live births.
Peri-Natal Death Rate	13.0 per 1,000 live and still births.

Cause of Death	Age	Sex.
1. Extreme prematurity.	4 hours	F
2. Respiratory Distress. Extreme prematurity.	7 hours	M
3. " " " "	12 hours	M
4. Intestinal Obstruction.	1 month	M
5. Found in River. Cause unascertainable.	3 months	M
6. Inhalation of Vomit. Gastro-enteritis.	3 months	F
7. Accidental suffocation due to restlessness during acute Otitis Media.	8 months	M

Comparative Figures	West Bridgford U.D.	England & Wales
Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 population)	12.9	16.0
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 births)	5.0	13.0
Death Rate (all causes) (per 1,000 pop.)	11.3	11.7
Infant Mortality (all causes) under 1 year (per 1,000 live births)	18.0	18.0
Neo-natal Death Rate (per 1,000 live births)	11.0	12.0

	Live Births			Deaths		
Year	Total Number	Rate per 1,000 pop.	England and Wales	Total Number	Corrected Rate	England and Wales
1955	348	15.08	15.0	309	10.55	11.7
1956	367	15.58	15.6	295	10.49	11.7
1957	383	15.59	16.1	295	10.25	11.5
1958	393	16.14	16.4	325	11.14	11.7
1959	413	16.66	16.5	313	10.55	11.6
1960	442	17.53	17.1	303	10.14	11.5
1961	440	16.96	17.4	361	11.62	12.0
1962	444	14.69	18.0	363	11.44	11.9
1963	453	16.22	18.2	354	11.88	12.2
1964	509	17.87	18.4	352	11.58	11.3
1965	448	15.68	18.1	333	10.22	11.5
1966	415	14.5	17.7	370	10.69	11.7
1967	391	13.4	17.2	355	11.04	11.2
1968	429	14.74	16.9	383	11.42	11.9
1969	404	13.7	16.3	345	10.3	11.9
1970	380	12.9	16.0	387	11.3	11.7

Infant Mortality		
Year	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	England and Wales
1955	11.49	24.9
1956	25.52	23.8
1957	18.27	23.1
1958	17.81	22.6
1959	16.94	22.2
1960	15.84	21.9
1961	18.18	21.6
1962	20.27	21.6
1963	17.66	21.1
1964	9.82	20.0
1965	22.32	19.0
1966	9.64	19.0
1967	10.23	18.3
1968	9.0	18.0
1969	10.0	18.0
1970	18.0	18.0

The above Tables represent for comparison some of the Vital Statistics of the District and of England and Wales.

CAUSES OF DEATH

The following Table gives the cause of death of residents of the District during 1970:-

	Male	Female	Total
Enteritis & Other Diarrhœal Diseases	-	1	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm : Oesophagus	1	1	2
Stomach	8	3	11
Intestine	8	8	16
Lung, Bronchus	14	5	19
Breast	-	14	14
Uterus	-	4	4
Prostate	4	-	4
Leukaemia	1	2	3
Other Malignant Neoplasms	10	6	16
Diabetes Mellitus	2	4	6
Other Endocrine etc., Diseases	-	1	1
Anaemias	-	2	2
Meningitis	-	1	1
Multiple Sclerosis	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System	1	1	2
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	3	4
Hypertensive Disease	2	3	5
Ischaemic Heart Disease	48	36	84
Other forms of Heart Disease	8	16	24
Cerebro-vascular Disease	21	35	56
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	4	10	14
Influenza	2	1	3
Pneumonia	7	18	25
Bronchitis & Emphysema	10	5	15
Asthma	-	2	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	6	8
Peptic Ulcer	2	2	4
Intestinal obstruction and Hernia	2	1	3
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	1	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	-	1
Other Diseases - Genito-Urinary System	-	4	4
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-	1	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	1	2
Congenital Anomalies	1	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	2	-	2
Other cases of Peri-natal Mortality	-	1	1
Symptoms and Ill-defined conditions	1	2	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	2	3
All other Accidents	4	6	10
Suicide and Self-inflicted Injuries	1	-	1
All other External Causes	2	-	2
	176	211	387

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following Table shows the incidence of Infectious Diseases together with the figures for 1969 in brackets:-

Disease	No. of Cases	
Acute Encephalitis	1	(0)
Infective Jaundice	12	(1)
Meningococcal Infection	1	(0)
Scarlet Fever	2	(7)
Whooping-cough	0	(1)
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	(0)
Measles	235	(24)
Acute Poliomyelitis : Non-paralytic	0	(0)
Paralytic	0	(0)
Paratyphoid	0	(1)
Food Poisoning	1	(1)
Tuberculosis : Pulmonary	3	(6)
Non-Pulmonary	0	(0)
	256	(41)

Tuberculosis:

Additions to the Register were 9 cases in 1970 compared with 11 in 1969. Of these additions 3 were new notifications and 6 were notified cases who came to live in the District, i.e. "transfer-in" cases.

Ten cases have been removed from the Register and of these 2 cases have been reported as "Recovered" by the Chest Physician, 5 have left the District, i.e. "transfer-out" cases, and 3 have died.

The following Table gives details of age groups in both new cases and removals from the Register by death :

Age Group	Tuberculosis in 1970: New Cases				Removals (Deaths)			
	Respy.		Non-Respy.		Respy.		Non-Respy	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
45-54 yrs.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-64 yrs.	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
65-74 yrs.	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
75 & Over	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
	2	1	-	-	2	1	-	-

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION SERVICE

This is administered by the West Bridgford Urban District Council on an Agency basis for the Local Health Authority. The following Tables and figures represent the year's work, including cases dealt with by the General Practitioners:-

Smallpox Vaccination	Primary		Revaccination	
	1970	1969	1970	1969
Under 3 months	-	1	-	-
3-5 months	1	-	-	-
6-8 months	1	-	-	-
9-11 months	3	4	-	-
1 year	201	236	-	-
2-4 years	34	25	4	5
5-14 years	9	6	45	93
15 years & over	-	-	-	3
	249	272	49	101

Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

During 1970, 324 children received a complete course of 3 doses of Oral vaccine and 448 children received a booster dose.

Diphtheria/Whooping-cough/Tetanus Immunisation

The following figures represent the total number of children who received injections during the year:

Primary Doses (3 injections)		
Diphtheria/Whooping-cough/Tetanus	-	308
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	6
Tetanus	-	4
		318
Re-inforcing Doses		
Diphtheria/Whooping-cough/Tetanus	-	116
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	348
Diphtheria	-	3
		467

Measles Vaccination

Number of children who received vaccination during the year	-	521

German Measles Vaccination

Number of children who received vaccination during the year	-	316

B.C.G. VACCINATION OF SCHOOLCHILDREN

Vaccination against Tuberculosis was carried out by the Medical Officer of Health and his Deputy. All schoolchildren of 11 years and over are eligible.

The procedure consists of a preliminary skin-test to find out those children who would benefit from the protection which B.C.G. vaccination confers. These children are known as negative re-actors to the test. Those who have a positive re-action are not vaccinated, but are referred for a full chest X-ray, and are subsequently kept under review.

The B.C.G. procedure is thus of two-fold value. It enables those who have not been in contact with the tuberculosis germ to be vaccinated and so protected for the future, whereas the children who have already been in contact with the germ can be examined by X-ray and kept under observation.

The following Table summarises the work done:-

	Consented	Skin-Tested	Positive	Vaccinated
West Bridgford High School	33	32	6	24
Becket School	72	69	8	54
Brincliffe Grammar School	32	30	2	27
	137	131	16	105

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE YEAR 1970

I beg to present my Report for the year 1970.

INSPECTIONS

The following is the list of inspections and re-inspections made during the year:-

	Inspections	Re-inspections
Infectious Diseases	38	20
Statutory Nuisances	17	-
Housing Defects	133	259
Sanitary Defects	51	27
Housing in Multiple Occupation	164	233
Housing Improvement/Improvement Areas	380	561
Housing Act, 1969	53	19
Slum Clearance	5	-
Drainage	147	145
Dustbins	39	32
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act	148	147
Overcrowding	4	1
Factories	4	-
Building Sites	2	-
Rats and Mice	24	3
Pigeons	4	2
Insects	13	2
Accumulations and Deposits	27	11
Tip	19	-
Water Supply	12	2
Water Courses	9	1
Paving	6	26
Caravans	11	2
Unsound Food	11	12
Supermarkets	9	-
Dairy	1	-
Hotels, Restaurants & Cafes	16	10
Grocer	3	1
Greengrocer	3	1
Cooked Meat Shops	13	1
Fish & Chip Shops	1	-
Off-Licence	1	-
Mobile Food Vehicles	2	-
Miscellaneous Visits to Food Premises	104	4
Shops Act	5	1
Butchers	2	-
Bakehouses	2	-
Smoke Nuisances	11	8
Noise	3	4
Petroleum	10	7
Meetings & Exhibitions	13	-
Miscellaneous Visits	11	2
	1,531	1,544

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

This District receives it water supply from Nottingham Corporation Water Department, with the exception of two houses, Nos. 1 & 2, Brickyard Cottages, Ruddington Lane, West Bridgford, which obtain their water from a shallow well. Samples taken from this well have continued to be unsatisfactory and estimates have been obtained for the work entailed in bringing a supply of mains water to these houses.

The whole of this District's sewage is now pumped to the City of Nottingham's sewage works at Stoke Bardolph.

Refuse collection and disposal is dealt with by the Surveyor's Department and controlled tipping continues at the Council's site off Rugby Road, West Bridgford.

COMPLAINTS

During the year the following 405 complaints were received and dealt with:-

Housing Defects	33
Sanitary Defects	4
Drainage Defects	267
Dustbins	23
Smoke	12
Offensive Odours	20
Refuse Accumulations	17
Unsound Food	5
Insects	13
Dirty Ice-cream	1
Pigeons	6
Noise	2
Trees	1
Dirty House	1
	405

RODENT CONTROL

During the year 268 complaints of infestations were received and dealt with, the operator making 2,655 visits and 3,062 surveys of individual properties other than those complained of and 228 rat bodies and 328 mouse bodies were recovered.

On premises where "gassing" was carried out and "spoon baiting" of runs etc., it was not possible to recover all the bodies so that the total number of rodents destroyed will be in excess of the above figures.

In addition, 118 wasps nests were destroyed.

80 houses were disinfested following infestations of insects.

23 house drainage systems were smoke tested following rat infestations, and one water test was carried out.

61 sewer manholes were baited in the Trent boulevard area and 23 in the Stowe Avenue/Uppingham Crescent area.

The tip face was treated for insect infestation.

HOUSING

Under the power vested in them by the Housing Act, 1969, the Council has declared a General Improvement Area bounded by Exchange Road, Clumber Road, Melton Road, Carnarvon Road and Stanley Road.

The objects of making this area are:-

i) for the Council to show interest in and give stability to the future of the area by investing money in its environmental improvement.

ii) to encourage owners, whether as occupiers or landlords, to improve their houses, at least by the provision of the basic modern amenities, and in so doing take advantage of the grants and loans which the Housing Act, 1969 empowers the Council to make.

During the year some 159 applications for Qualification Certificates under the Housing Act, 1969 were received and dealt with. At the beginning of the year I anticipated that more applications would be forthcoming than were in fact received and I would recommend to landlords of houses subject to controlled tenancies to apply for a Qualification Certificate without delay. I believe that the system contains advantages for both landlord and tenant in that:-

i) the tenant receives the benefit of having all necessary repairs carried out and basic modern amenities provided where lacking

ii) and the landlord is then able to obtain a more realistic rent with which to keep the house in a reasonable state of repair.

Inspection of dwelling houses during the year:-

(1)	(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health and Housing Acts	548
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	1,231
(2)	(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations	Nil
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	Nil
(3)		Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
(4)		Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	127

Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	75

Action under Statutory powers during the year:-

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9 and 10 of Housing Act, 1957:

(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs	7
(2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of Formal Notices:	
(a) by Owners	1
(b) by Local Authority in default of Owners	1

HOUSING (continued)

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	10
(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of Formal Notices:	
	(a) by Owners	13
	(b) by Local Authority in default of owners ..	3

(c) Proceedings under Sects. 16 - 32 of Housing Act,1957:

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	Nil
(2)(a)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	Nil

(d) Proceedings under provisions of Housing Acts appertaining to Houses in Multiple Occupation:

(a) Number of Notices served	17
(b) Number of Notices complied with	19

Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV:

Abatement of Overcrowding

Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	Nil

Number of new houses erected during the year:

(a) By the Local Authority	65
(b) By Private Enterprise	30
Number of houses improved by aid of grant	47

RENT ACT

There have been no applications for Certificates of Disrepair and no applications have been received for Certificates of Disrepair to be cancelled.

AIR POLLUTION

Measurements of smoke and sulphur dioxide pollution of the atmosphere are still being taken by the Volumetric apparatus at the Health Department, Bridgford Road. I give below the average daily readings in micrograms/cub.metre over the past 8 years and have plotted the results on two graphs. The figures and graphs show:

i) average daily readings during the summer months;

ii) average daily readings during the winter months;

iii) average daily readings throughout the whole year.

The figures indicate:-

(a) that smoke pollution has decreased considerably over the 8-year period and now seems to have levelled out at between 60-70 mg/cub.metre as an average daily reading over the whole year;

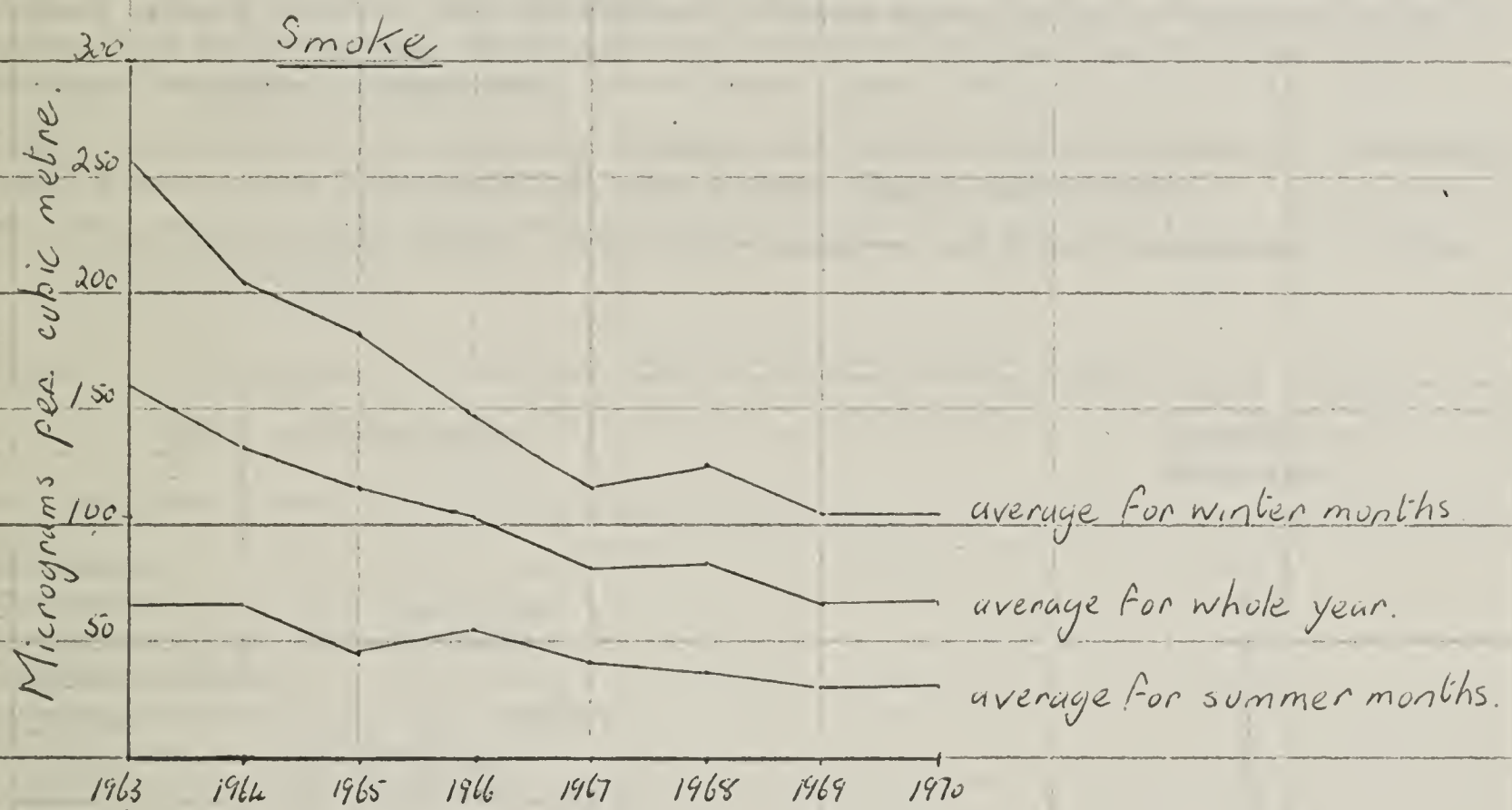
(b) that smoke pollution is far greater during the winter months and that this is surely evidence of the effect of domestic fires upon the atmosphere;

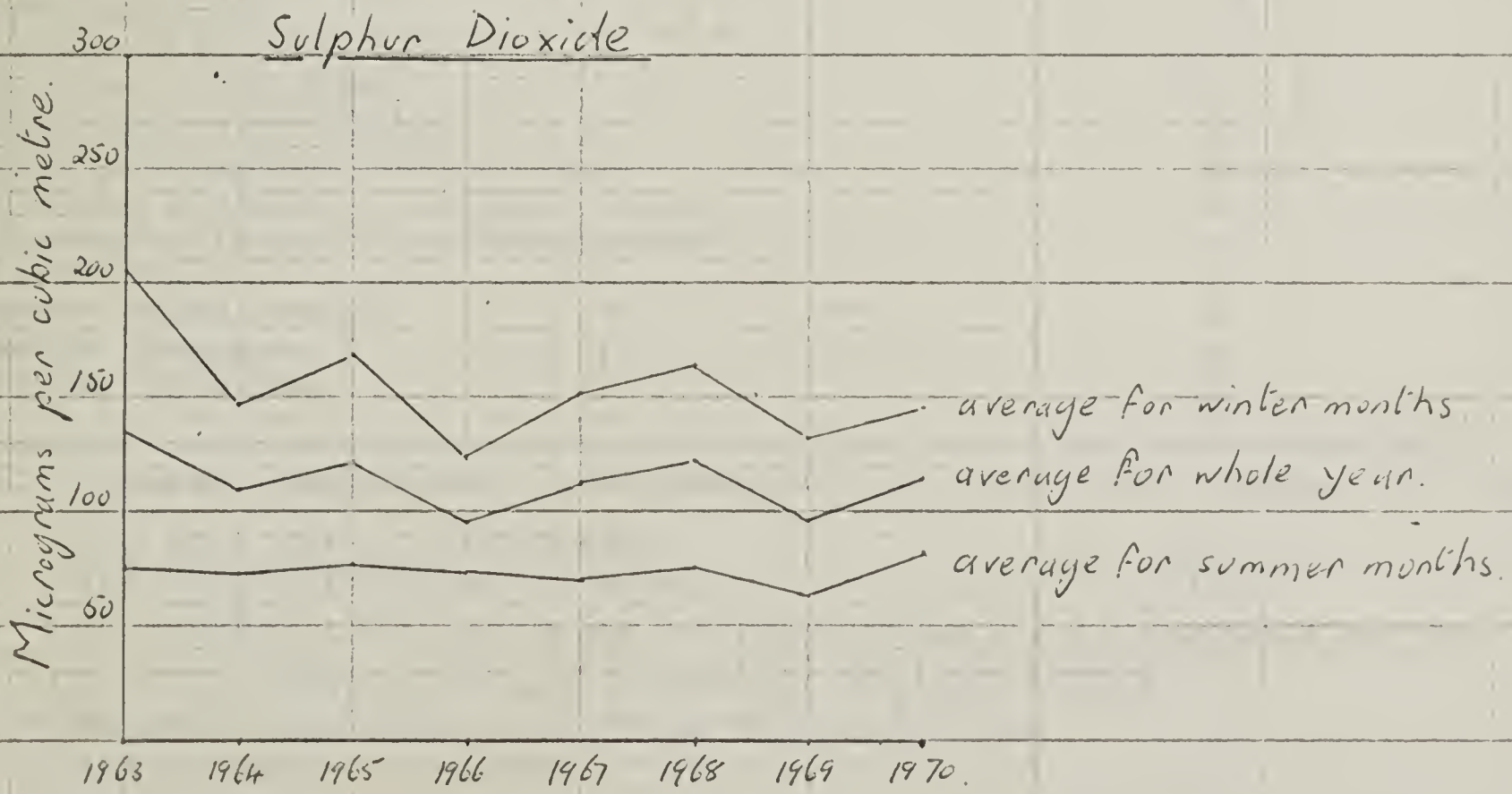
(c) that the amount of sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere has diminished, but in a less spectacular manner to smoke.

Although it has been shown that the concentration of atmospheric pollution has decreased, there is certainly no call for complacency. I consider that the time is now ripe for a smoke control programme to be formulated which, when brought into effect, will make this District an even more pleasant one in which to live.

Year	Smoke			Sulphur Dioxide		
	Average Daily Readings			Average Daily Readings		
	Summer Months	Winter Months	Whole Year	Summer Months	Winter Months	Whole Year
1963	64	256	160	74	202	138
1964	65	201	133	71	149	110
1965	46	183	115	76	170	123
1966	54	149	102	73	121	97
1967	42	117	80	70	151	111
1968	36	128	82	75	166	121
1969	30	103	66	62	131	96
1970	31	104	68	83	146	115

Volumetric Atmospheric Pollution Gauge Observations





MILK

No samples of raw milk were taken.

Licences for the distribution of milk are now issued by the County Council, who are also the sampling authority.

ICE-CREAM

There are no local manufacturers of ice-cream, all supplies coming from outside the area. Checks are made on retailers' premises at frequent intervals.

FOOD

The food shops in the District are satisfactory. No slaughtering takes place within the District, fresh meat being obtained mainly from the Nottingham abattoir where it is inspected by the City Public Health Inspectors.

Regular visits are paid to cafes and other food preparing premises and advice and instruction are given where necessary.

(1) The following Table lists the number of food premises in the area by type:-

Type of Business	Number of Premises
Grocers	22
Grocers with Off-Licence	6
Grocers with Greengrocery	5
Greengrocers	20
Greengrocers with wet fish	3
Greengrocer and Butcher	1
Cooked Meat and Confectionary	3
Wet Fish	2
Fish & Chip Fryer and Wet Fish	1
Fish & Chip Fryer	3
Butcher	12
Baker & Confectioner with Shop	1
Wholesale Bakers and Confectioners	3
Restaurants and Cafes	8
Licensed Premises	3
Licensed Premises serving meals	5
Off-Licences	5
Licensed Private Clubs	6
Sweets & Ice-cream	25
Wholesale Provisions	2
Multiple Self-service Stores	6
Private Hotels	9
Transport Drivers' Accommodation	5
Dance Halls	3
Other Public Halls	2
Works Canteens	4
School Kitchens	10

(2) Premises registered under Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act,1955:

(a) for sale of ice-cream	55
(b) food preparing premises	10

The number of inspections of these premises is included in the list of inspections given earlier in this Report.

(3) Dairies registered under the Milk & Dairies Regulations, 1949/1954 — 2

FOOD (contd)

(4) Condemned Foods:

128 lbs. of tinned and frozen meat products and 584 lbs. of other tinned and frozen goods were condemned by the Public Health Inspectors and surrendered for destruction by the Owners.

(5) There are no poultry processing premises within the District.

(6) Food Hygiene Regulations, 1960:

These Regulations were designed to prevent the contamination of food during its preparation, storage, sale and delivery and all food premises have been inspected in an endeavour to secure compliance with the Regulations.

Warnings were given for minor contraventions of the Regulations.

No legal proceedings were taken under these Regulations during the year.

RAG FLOCK ACT

One factory in the District is registered under the Act for the storage of Rag Flock.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

The following is a brief statement of the work carried out under this Act:

		Offices	Shops
No. of premises registered at 31st December, 1970		144	133
No. of persons employed: Males -	1,026	620	406
Females -	1,060	619	441
No. of inspections		14	7
No. of premises failing to comply with the Act in some respect		7	3
No. of premises in all respects satisfactory		137	130
No. of Accidents reported		-	5

The accidents were found to be due to the employees' carelessness. The Managers and the employees concerned were given advice as to avoiding similar accidents and told to exercise more care when carrying out their duties.

The injuries were minor ones and there was no contravention of the Act and Regulations and there were no grounds for prosecution.

I wish to express to the Council my gratitude and thanks for their help and support, and also to the Health Department staff and my colleagues in other Departments, my sincere thanks for their co-operation.

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Senior Public Health Inspector.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

The Chief Weights and Measures Inspector, Nottinghamshire County Council, has submitted his Annual Report on samples taken in West Bridgford during 1970.

This shows 105 articles were sampled, all but the two listed below being genuine:-

1 Sample of Beef Sausage	Contained undeclared preservative. Seller cautioned.
1 Sample Steak in Rich Gravy.	Slightly deficient in meat. Canners cautioned.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to Health.
(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sects. 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	4	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	65	2	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' premises)	5	2	-	-
TOTAL:	74	4	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT : OUTWORK

Nature of Work	No. of Outworkers in List required by Section 133 (1) (c)
Wearing Apparel, Making etc.	11
Lace, Lace Curtains and Nets	1
Nets, other than Wire Nets	1
Textile Weaving	2
TOTAL:	15